

**BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING  
LAFAYETTE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

**April 8, 2013 @ 3:00 pm**

**PRESENT:**   **David Hammer**  
                  **Bob Boyle**                               **Carol Korn**  
                  **Rick Moyer**                           **Lois Finnigan**  
                  **Chris Fortin**                       **Rebecca Steffes**  
                  **Debbie Siegenthaler**           **Kari Liddicoat**

Meeting called to order by (fill-in) chair, Boyle at 3:00 p.m.

*Verification that the Agenda was properly posted*

Kari verified the agenda was posted at the Courthouse, City Municipal Building, Health Department, Hospital, County website and e-mailed to the press.

Motion made by Moyer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Korn to approve agenda as posted. Motion carried.

Motion made by Moyer to approve the minutes from the March 12th Board of Health meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hammer. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

***Administrative Updates:***

The County Rankings came out and Lafayette County is ranked 24<sup>th</sup> out of 72!!! Great Job Lafayette County!!! Debbie went over a few of the reasons that Lafayette County is not as high as our surrounding counties. One huge reason is the Clinical Care subcategory – the access to care is problematic as the saturation of primary care physicians and dentists within our county is much less than the state average. Another factor is the daily fine particulate matter rating under the environmental category – will look into this more to see exactly what the data source is...possibly Ag related. If you are interested in reading more about it you can go to [www.countyhealthrankings.org](http://www.countyhealthrankings.org).

The state has also put out a New Burden of Alcohol Use. The report is compiled for every county and the cost of Excessive Alcohol Use. The cost per Lafayette County resident is \$865.88. A few of our surrounding counties are: cost per Iowa County resident is \$1238.78, cost per Grant County resident is \$1510.16 and cost per Green County resident is \$1193.44. So Lafayette County is doing really well ☺ It is a very interesting report and if you would like to read more about it you can go to <http://uwphi.pophealth.wisc.edu/>.

***Don't forget to Save the Date for the Lafayette County Celebration on June 27<sup>th</sup>!!!***

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Two bids were received for the interior painting project of the Health Department. There was some discussion of the bids and project. Motion made by Korn, to have Julie Fitzsimons do the designated painting in the Health Department. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Finnigan. Bob Boyle abstained from the vote. Motion carried.

### ***Corporation Council***

Hammer asked the board and Debbie what they feel their needs are in an attorney. Debbie responded, stating that she would need 2 things. First would be labor and personnel related advice. Second would be guidance regarding the statutory health officer authority related to abatement orders issues for environmental health hazards.

## **HOME CARE REPORT/UPDATES**

### ***PT/OT services update/Fee and Service Policy:***

The board took the time to re-visit the PT/OT service contract. The specific therapy expenses for PT are significantly over and when the appropriate visit threshold is not achieved it translates into a significant revenue shortfall for the Home Care program. This issue has allowed for the opportunity to work more closely with the Hospital PT. It is also prudent to understand what possible other therapy options might exist. Since the last meeting Rebecca has taken the time to speak with Krisann and provide a list of clients that have not met the 6 visit threshold. The information was not ready for this particular meeting. Rebecca has also talked with other agencies for insight into their operations re therapy. She came up with more options such as different companies who can step in and a possibility of our own therapist. This led to much discussion on billing of the primary, secondary and private insurance companies and how we actually get paid. The Board also reviewed our fee policy as the current charging/billing process may need revision. Moyer suggested that we have a meeting strictly to discuss the PT/OT therapy options and the fee policy as well as the current service mission for the Home Care program. That special meeting will be Tuesday, April 30, 2013 @ 1:00 pm at the Health Department.

### ***Fill-in CNA position:***

The Fill-in CNA position will be put on the HR agenda for consideration as outlined in the new employee handbook.

## **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

### ***Review of Financials***

Debbie reviewed the March monthly financial report. Motion made by Korn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fortin to approve financial reports. Motion carried.

### ***OT Accrual***

Overtime reports for the last 2 payrolls were presented to the board. The two payrolls yielded 6/40.25 hours of overtime accrued.

**APPROVAL OF INVOICES**

Invoice numbers 50-71 from February 2013 – April 2013 were reviewed. Minimal discussion took place. A motion was made by Moyer to approve the invoices. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Finnigan. Motion Carried.

The next Board of Health Meeting will be  
**Tuesday, May 14, 2013 @ 2:00 pm**

In addition, there will be a special meeting  
**Tuesday, April 30 @ 1pm (discussion re specifics related the HC program)**

Motion made by Finnigan, second by Moyer to adjourn the meeting at 4:45 p.m.  
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kari Liddicoat

~~Connie Hull, Chairwoman~~

~~Bob Boyle~~

David Hammer

Carol Korn

Chris Fortin

Lois Finnigan

Rick Moyer

